

LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE

February 21, 2017.

Chairman Roger Herring called the meeting to order via ZOOM at 7:30pm

Members present were,

Tom Denny-Venus

Joe Holland-Denton

Roger Herring-Tulsa

Greg Samford-Galveston

Don Ables-Wylie

Frederick

Lee Shuey-Dallas

John Curlee-Sinton

Patrick Shibi-Lawton

Tom asked about the District Building. Roger said Governor Sheridan had lined up a person to look at needed repairs and modifications.

Tom mentioned windows that needed repair and that there had been some problems with a previous contractor.

Lee asked if the minutes for these meetings could be posted to the Long Range Planning Committee (LRPC) website.

Don discussed the District Vice-Governor Sub Committee (DVG) and mentioned adding the District Secretary and/or District Treasurer as well as District Committee Chair to the list of pre-requisites prior to nomination to DVG.

Roger cautioned about adding another layer of bureaucracy.

Don stated the DVG position would give the governor's position one extra year to learn the job. That the District Governor commitment would now be 4 years instead of 3.

Fredrick questioned as to how the DVG election would be reported to International. Further, that the Current International President would be in Abilene to train incoming Lt. Governors. Also, Frederick asked if an International chairman position would qualify for "chair" experience.

Patrick stated that he has resigned as a Trustee to run for Governor-Elect. Patrick expressed that he had some concern that working on one position could compromise work on a current position.

Don said the T-O District would have to set rules as to resigning one committee to run for DVG.

Patrick asked how many districts currently use the DVG position ? It was believed that 5 or 6 use the DVG now.

Frederick asked how the Governor-Elect is replaced (in case he/she is unable to continue to Governor) now ? Patrick said in his speaking with other districts that they (other districts) considered the Governor position now a 4 year commitment. Don stated that the Nebraska-Iowa District was being used as a model

Tom asked of those that districts that have the DVG how big are they in terms of the relationship of membership to leadership ?

Patrick said his friend KENDRA SKIDMORE from the Tennessee-Kentucky District was running for DVG in that district. Further that a 4 year commitment could scare some candidates from running (for Governor). Patrick stated the DVG was an opportunity to learn, rather than a "hands on" learning.

Lee felt the DVG was an opportunity for "Governor" candidates to see what they're getting into. Further that the DVG was not a time to initiate a project but to learn.

Patrick said the needs of the District would have to come before a pet project of the DVG.

John asked why the Trustee system failed the first time ?

Patrick said other districts with a Trustee system felt they left the Lt. Governor position forgotten. That some Lt. Governors felt like second class citizens.

John suggested that possibly T-O could bring in the Tennessee-Kentucky candidate for a ZOOM meeting at an upcoming LRPC meeting. Patrick wondered if we need to split some large rural divisions.

Tom felt the Lt. Governors and the Trustees should get together to work out some of the details of re-districting.

Lee said urban divisions might need to be divided into "north" and "south." That too many clubs in a short area or too much distance between too few clubs causes a problem for Lt. Governors.

Joe suggested building "travel partner" clubs so that a Lt. Governor could visit more than one club on a trip.

Patrick suggested using the Key Club model to solve travel problems. Further, using this model saw Lt. Governors traveling less and getting more done.

Everyone agreed that the discussion tonight was for the good of T-O.

Frederick left the meeting at 8:41.

Lee was asked to send out a recent list of "club fails."

The next meeting is scheduled via ZOOM on March 21, 2017 at 7:30pm. Joe Holland Acting sec.